

Amendment

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information that changes each time the data is reproduced, such as time information.

Therefore, even when the data flowing the CPU BUS 110 is stored from signal lines 210 into a digital storage medium 211 as shown in Fig. 4, the data cannot be reproduced or used.--

Page 27, please replace the paragraph beginning with line 3 with the following paragraph:

--In the second embodiment, there is an n number of types of master keys. A first session key is represented by S_K , a second session key by $S_{K'}$, the t-th master key M_{Kt} (t is in the range of 1 to n), and image data (i.e., the data to be enciphered) Data.--

Page 28, please replace the paragraphs beginning with lines 2, 6, ^{10 19}~~N~~, ~~2Q~~ and 25 with the following paragraphs, respectively:

--(Method 1) One session key $E_{MKi}(S_K)$ (i is in the range of 1 to n) is recorded n the DVD 101. The deciphering unit 114a has an n number of master keys M_{Kj} (j = 1 to n) in it.--

--(Method 2) An n number of session keys $E_{MKi}(S_K)$ (i = 1 to n) are recorded n the DVD 101. The deciphering unit 114a has one master key M_{Kj} (j is in the range of 1 to n) in it.--

--(Method 3) This is an expansion of Method 2. An n number of session keys $E_{MKi}(S_K)$ (i = 1 to n) are recorded on the DVD 101. The deciphering unit 114a has an m ($2 < m < n$) number of master keys M_{Kj} (j = 1 to n) in it. The m number of master keys have been selected from the n number of master keys beforehand.--

--(Method 4) This is the reverse of Method 3. An m ($2 < m < n$) number of session keys $E_{MKi}(S_K)$ (i = 1 to n) are recorded on the DVD 101. The m number of master keys have been selected from an n number of master keys M_{Kj} (j = 1 to n) beforehand. The deciphering unit 114a has an n number of master keys M_{Kj} (j = 1 to n) in it.--